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Appendix VI.

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G.O. No. 1217 I., dated 5th June 1933.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 25th January 1928 the following resolution was carried:—

"That this Council recommends to the Government to constitute a committee consisting of non-officials of the local Legislative Council and of the local Public Works Department Officers to investigate into the schemes of high-flood channel from the Kistna beginning from Mulapadu or thereabouts to facilitate irrigating a belt of land of about 30,000 acres of Ellore Canal."

2. The Government referred the matter to the Chief Engineer, who, in July 1928, reported that so far as levels were concerned the excavation of the channel was not practicable, but that the scheme might be feasible if gauge readings at the site of the off-take of the proposed channel were sufficiently high to permit the requisite draw-off from the river floods. The river was gauged in the floods of 1929, 1930 and 1931, and it was found that only on 7 days in 1928, 15 days in 1930, and 24 days in 1931, the river rose above the level + 68, which level is considered necessary for commanding the lands in question. On these statistics, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation considers and the Irrigation Development Board agrees that the supply will not be sufficient for the scheme for a high level channel at Mulapadu. There is no alternative suitable site above or below this point. Accordingly the Government direct that the scheme be dropped.

(By order of the Governor in Council)

N. Gopalaswami,
Secretary to Government.

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